



## Raising the roof to raise money

Michelle Jones (left), chief executive of Embracing Change which supports women who have had reconstructive surgery, is hosting an open mic night with poetry, music, a raffle and a DJ. Visit...

[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/PHFXREG](http://tinyurl.com/PHFXREG)

## Festival feast

Eid al-Adha, also known as Greater Eid or the feast of sacrifice, is the second most important Muslim festival.

### News

## Buddies fight breast cancer

**BOSOM Buddies will host Pink Friday in Chriss Street, Poplar this week to raise awareness of breast cancer and the importance of early diagnosis.**

Organised as part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, members of the support group will be at Chriss Street Health Centre on October 24 from 10am-1pm and in Chriss Street Market square from 12.30pm.

They will provide advice, information and prizes, and a session on how to check for signs of cancer.

Later in the day Michelle Jones, chief executive of Embracing Change which supports women who have had reconstructive surgery, is hosting an open mic night from 6-11pm at Moka East Café at the View Tube, Greenways, near Pudding Mill Lane DLR station.

Visit <http://tinyurl.com/phfxreg> for more details.

For more on breast cancer visit [www.smallc.org.uk/breast](http://www.smallc.org.uk/breast)



**PARENTS, staff and pupils at Cyril Jackson Primary School in Limehouse came together to celebrate the festival of Eid al-Adha.**

Celebrations included a whole school assembly, stage performances, the exchange of gifts and an Eid lunch, in which more than 100 parents and carers joined pupils to tuck into fish, spring rolls, chickpea curry, rice, vegetables and dessert.

In the afternoon, each class had their own party.

Head teacher Gill Kemp said the celebrations were a great opportunity for the whole school community to come together and mark what is an important festival for many of the school's children and their families.

### News in brief

#### Cycle training days

FREE family cycle training is on offer in Victoria Park from Monday to Thursday, October 27-30.

It is open to parents and accompanying children in school years 3 to 6 who have not previously received cycle training.

The course is run by Bike-works on behalf of the council.

Advance registration is required. Contact Bikeworks on 8980 7998 or by email [enquiries@bikeworks.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@bikeworks.org.uk)

#### Funds for sport

SPORTS clubs and youth and community organisations can apply for grants of up to £1,500 to run free sports activities.

Applications for the mayor of London's FreeSport funding are being accepted until noon on Monday, October 27.

To apply, visit [www.london.gov.uk/freesport](http://www.london.gov.uk/freesport)

# A new place to meet the police

BY STEFAN SWIFT

**A NEW mobile police office will hit the streets this week, helping residents to report crime and anti-social behaviour issues more easily.**

Funded by the council, it has a private meeting area for confidential conversations with officers.

The office contains a laptop and iPad with Wi-Fi access so that any serious crimes can be reported immediately, and it has a display monitor, a CCTV control unit and an external LED screen which can show public information.

Staff will also be able to administer first aid treatment as the vehicle will carry

an automated electronic defibrillator and enhanced first aid kits.

The vehicle can be mobilised quickly for events or to help police in emergency situations, and will be used to visit areas where crime is high but levels of reporting are low.

Cllr Ohid Ahmed, cabinet member for community safety, said: "We hope that the mobile office will provide an easy access point to the police for all the borough's residents beyond these initial surgeries, especially in crime hotspots and busy areas."

The mobile police office will initially support the council's community safety surgery and walkabouts programme, which are being led by Cllr Ahmed,

with police and partners.

Surgeries and walkabouts are taking place in every ward of Tower Hamlets - with Cllr Ahmed and the borough's Safer Communities and Neighbourhood Policing teams listening to concerns of residents.

Surgeries are due to take place fortnightly on Fridays from 9.30-10.30am. The walkabouts are held afterwards until 12noon.

The next surgery takes place in Spitalfields & Banglatown on Friday, October 24 at Tesco Express, Whitechapel Road, E1 where the mobile police unit will be launched by Cllr Ahmed.

Dates for the remaining ward locations can be found at [bit.ly/1lvBu87](http://bit.ly/1lvBu87)